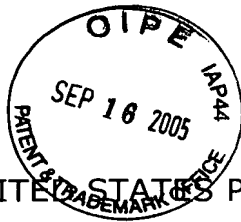


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In re Application of: ) PATENT  
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Serial No.: 09/854,560 ) GROUP: 3627  
Filed: May 15, 2001 ) EXAMINER: Ronald LANEAU  
DEVICE AND METHOD FOR ) CUSTOMER NO.: 25269  
MANAGEMENT OF OPERATING )  
MATERIALS AND/OR SUPPLIES OF AN ) CONFIRMATION NO.: 8137  
ANALYZER OR ANALYZING SYSTEM

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RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR REISSUANCE  
OF OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents  
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September 16, 2005

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of May 18, 2005, please amend the  
application as follows: